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TRANSMITTAL OF AMENDMENT

Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following:

1. Amendment; and
2. Return Receipt Postcard.

It is believed that no further fee is required relating to the filing of this Amendment. If this is not the case, the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any related fee to Deposit Account No. 03-0172. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

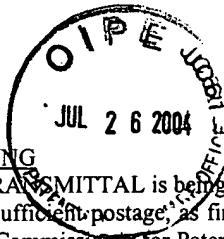
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed April 21, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

There are no amendments to the Specification.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.